

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
STEEL  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1559  
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SHIP BREAKING INDUSTRY  
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**Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:**

- (a) the major ship-breaking centres in the country as on date alongwith the global share of India in this industry;
- (b) whether the ship-breaking industry in India is facing tremendous hardship due to Environmental limitations;
- (c) if so, the steps the Government proposes to boost this sector which has huge labour potential ;
- (d) whether dry-docking facilities would be provided to ship-breaking industry to reduce sea-water pollution; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL (DR. AKHILESH DAS)

- (a) About 90% of ship-breaking activity in India is carried out at Alang in Gujarat and the remaining 10% is presently confined to Mumbai, Kolkatta and Sachana (Gujarat). There have been wide fluctuations in global share of India in this industry which has varied from 43% in 2003 to approx. 20% in 2005.
- (b) No, Sir.
- (c) Does not arise.
- (d) At present Government has no plans to provide dry - docking facilities.
- (e) Does not arise.